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For: *ASSESSMENT AND CONTROL OF ACOUSTIC TISSUE EFFECTS*

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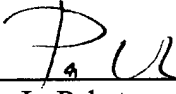
1. Declaration of Inventorship executed by Mark R. Prausnitz, Jin Liu, and Thomas N. Lewis;
2. Form PTO-1533;
3. Verified Statement (Declaration) Claiming Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9(f) and 1.27(d) – Nonprofit Organization) by Georgia Tech Research Corporation;
4. Certificate Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) by Georgia Tech Research Corporation; and
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Applicants submitted the executed Assignment from Mark R. Prausnitz, Jin Liu, and Thomas N. Lewis to Georgia Tech Research Corporation, Recordation Form Cover Sheet, Form PTO-1619A, and a check in the amount of \$40.00 for the recordation fee to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 12, 1999, under separate cover.

Applicants respectfully request a refund of 50% of the \$1,390.00 filing fee in the application, a total of \$695.00, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.28. Please credit or charge any other fees due in connection with this matter to our deposit account No. 01-2507. A duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed to facilitate this process.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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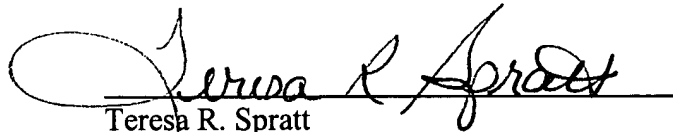
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I hereby certify that this Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Application and Request for Refund, together with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to Box Missing Parts, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

  
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*Filing Date Granted*

An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. The items indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file all required items and pay fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). If any of items 1 or 3 through 5 are indicated as missing, the SURCHARGE set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65.00 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, or \$130.00 for a non-small entity, must also be timely submitted in reply to this NOTICE to avoid abandonment.

If all required items on this form are filed within the period set above, the total amount owed by applicant as a  
☐ small entity (statement filed) ☒ non-small entity is \$ 150.00

☐ 1. The statutory basic filing fee is:

- ☐ missing.
- ☐ insufficient.

Applicant must submit \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).

☒ 2. Additional claim fees of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, including any multiple dependent claim fees, are required.

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Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.

☒ 3. The oath or declaration:

- ☐ is missing or unexecuted.
- ☒ does not cover the newly submitted items.
- ☐ does not identify the application to which it applies.
- ☐ does not include the city and state or foreign country of applicant's residence.

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.

☐ 4. The signature(s) to the oath or declaration is/are by a person other than inventor or person qualified under 37 CFR 1.42, 1.43 or 1.47.

A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

☐ 5. The signature of the following joint inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

☐ 6. A \$50.00 processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21(m)).

☐ 7. Your filing receipt was mailed in error because your check was returned without payment.

☒ 8. The application does not comply with the Sequence Rules.

See attached "Notice to Comply with Sequence Rules 37 CFR 1.821-1.825."

☐ 9. OTHER

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